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#### FACTS REACH GERMANY

Germany has been invaded across every frontier by facts which the government tried to keep out, but could not, and they are now assuming proportions in Germany which will affect the course of the war.

The duration of the war, which was to have been completed in a few weeks and is now approaching its fourth anniversary, is a fact that the German government cannot exclude, and which is impairing the German power of resistance. The fact that there will be no indemnities and Germany will stagger for generations under an appalling load of debt cannot be concealed from the Germans; and it is not exactly stimulating German heroism.

The great and decisive facts which Germany has tried to exclude from its jurisdiction are the failure of four years' fighting against the English and French and the enormous reinforcements America is sending them. All these detailed facts are prying Germany open to the one great and overwhelming fact, which is finding its way past frontier guards into every part of the country, that Germany cannot win the war, and that the longer it protracts the war the greater will be its losses in blood and in wealth, and that the only alternatives before it are to give in now, or give in after the war losses and sufferings have become much greater. There is no other alternative.

Although the Kaiser has assumed from the beginning that God is with him nature is conducting a "starvation drive" against Germany and Austria. While the crops of America and her allies promise this year to break all records for size, those of Germany and her allies will be smaller than at any time since the war began.

#### JUSTICE IS BLINDELOD

In a comparatively small city, where the great mass of the inhabitants are acquainted with each other, the dispensation of justice is too often hampered. There seems to be an impression among some that they should not be held accountable for their shortcomings in the way of neglect of certain laws of the city and state. At the present time, when the authorities are engaged in a clean-up campaign, this notion is often manifest.

The members of the police force are earnestly on the job, and through their efforts numbers of persons, white and colored, are found to be derelict in obeying the statutes which are intended for the good of all. The officers, however, are at times confronted by people who seem to suppose laws do not apply to them, and after having been duly warned of the consequences of placing rubbish or putrid matter in any street or alley they ignore the suggestions of policemen and are brought before the police court. Such may expect no holding up of the law in their cases.

The ancients, who taught wisdom by personifying everything, represented Justice as a woman with a bandage over her eyes. She bore a sword in her hand, and the effigy was intended to make plain that the goddess could see neither friend nor foe while dealing with lawbreakers.

The enforcement of the dog laws brings friends and foe of the officers face to face in the police court. It is imperative that justice do her hood-wink as the cases are called, and when the evidence is clear she must

hew to the line no matter where the chips may fall.

Most of the cases before the police court this week have been of persons violating the health law or allowing dogs to run at large in the streets unmuzzled. Fines have been imposed in all cases.

#### LAST HUN PEACE KITE

A cotemporary today contains a picture of the Kaiser contemplating a picture of himself. The prints show the German ruler holding up his hands while under him is the word "Kamerad!" Under the picture are these words, "The Allies' Peace Answer." Germany, beyond all doubt, would gladly lay down her arms tomorrow if she were permitted to have a free hand in Russia. She would give up Belgium; she would satisfy France by the cession of Alsace and Lorraine, and might even force Austria to restore Trieste to Italy. All this could be done provided the Prussian militarists were able to confiscate Russia and hand that vast empire over to their people as the booty of war and the mark of victory.

But there is no peace in sight. There is nothing in any German proposal worthy of a minute's consideration by this or any other allied government. The war will go right on until a military decision has been reached favorable to the allies. The latter are in a position to enforce the terms of "unconditional surrender," and they will do it.

#### THE PREVAILING HEAT WAVE

The torrid conditions which set in in this section of the country last Sunday are still in evidence. The mercury in most thermometers in this city yesterday centered about the 95 degree mark. Toward the close of the day clouds gathered in the heavens, and there was a heavy downpour of rain south and southeast of Alexandria. The wind later changed from the northwest and rain clouds were wafted over this city. Growing vegetables in gardens had been suffering for several days, and the rain which fell between 7 and 8 o'clock was refreshing.

After the passing of the rain cloud conditions became sultry, and it was hot last night. A high temperature has prevailed today.

There was another copious rain this afternoon.

#### VIVE LA FRANCE!

First Washington; then Lafayette; and now yet once again the Tri-color and the Stars and Stripes entwined in glorious embrace upon a battle line for human freedom.

Except for France, America must have gone down in the Revolutionary fight. Our good Brother Jonathan was nearly "all in" when Jeanne D'Arc appeared upon the scene. After a century and two-score years, Uncle Sam, returning the visit, puts his arm about Lisette's fair form and says in his big, manly voice, "Cheer up, old girl, they shan't tech a hair o' your head!"

It has not been History's wont to render poetic justice. But here we have it in fullest measure. Paris shall complete the story of Yorktown and Pershing is our answer to Rochambeau.

The ancient joke used to have it that good Americans hoped to go to Paris when they died. It carried a cynical suggestion not meant to be flattering to the morality of either.

Yet he who pictures the gay French Capital as the wickedest city in the world knows not New York, or London, and confesses himself ignorant of Hell-for-Sartin on the Ganges and Yuba Dam on the Yarra, not to mention many other seaports of less note in devility.

In other days the wickedness of Paris was got up largely for "the entire stranger." Its picturesque varieties were for the most part imported. The French are in nature, temperament and habit a decorous and orderly people. They are a refined people. They may be blood-thirsty when roused, but they are not brutal, like the British, nor obstreperous, like the Yankees. They take their pleasures in reason. There is, indeed, a background of sobriety, not to say of piety, which, though it be not observed upon the Boulevards, nor in the regions about the Place Vendome, nor yet between the Gardens of the Tuilleries—where nevertheless the children play—and the Arch of Stars, which invites the Elysian Fields to continue their promenade out to the Wood of Boulogne, yet abounds in the less ambitious streets and in the myriads of simple homes. The novels of Balzac and Daudet give us only an occasional glimpse of these. The bizarre lends itself more readily to the uses of fiction, and we often see the eccentricities than the virtues of French character and life.

It is perhaps because of this that the proceeding of the French in the war—their solidarity, their puissance, their quietude—has surprised those who thought them a spectacular, exclamatory people. They set copy for the rest of us. In spite of the differences in language, customs and environment there is a certain affinity between them and ourselves which is likely to draw us closer together as the events of the field, the camp and the hospital become a common experience. Many an American boy will find a French wife. The more the merrier. Half a century hence may the Yanko-Franco children prattle a dual tongue taught them by the grand sire who bore the Tri-color and the grand sire who brandished the Stars and Stripes!

Vive la France! Hurrah for the French! Homage to the memory, salute for the effigy of the Maid of Orleans, whether in marble, or in bronze, or in the loving fancy of our heart of hearts! We need no longer make the appeal, covered by the following lines written in extremis, for it was answered when the Hun put foot upon the soil of France—

Joan of Arc, Joan of Arc,  
 Don't your eyes  
 From the skies  
 See the foe?  
 Don't you see the drooping fleur-de-lis?

Don't you see the tears of Normandy?  
 Joan of Arc, Joan of Arc,  
 Don't you hear us calling you?  
 Come, lead your France to victory!  
 —Louisville Courier-Journal.

Editor, The Gazette:

The letter to Sergt. Mosher from his mother, printed in your paper yesterday, is a classic in its way and will give courage to many Alexandria mothers who have boys "over there." An appropriate caption probably would have been "The Will See It When He Wakes." That is the title of a poem (written during our civil war, I believe) inspired by a remark made by a soldier when it was suggested that a letter which had arrived just as the body of a dead comrade for whom it was intended was about to be lowered tenderly into

its last resting place be placed beneath his folded hands. If any of your readers has that poem in an old scrap book they could give pleasure to many by sending you a copy of it for publication at this time. If I am not mistaken the lines were "set to music."  
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#### SUNK BY SUBMARINES

Steamer Justicia Attacked Off North of Ireland; Ten Lives Are Lost

London, July 25—"Flotilla attacks" U-boats concentrating on "big game" carried out by half a dozen or more constitute the newest phase of Germany's warfare, as shown in the torpedoing off the north Irish coast Saturday morning of the 33,000-ton British transport Justicia, the fourth largest vessel in the world.

The fact that only ten members of the crew of more than 500 were lost in the sinking of the giant transport, which was bound for an American port, and which had carried many thousands of American troops to Europe, is one of several cheerful features of her loss, another being the effective defense she put up in a 24-hour battle with a flotilla of probably eight submarines, one of which was sent to the bottom by a depth bomb.

Four torpedoes were exploded by gunfire from the Justicia as they were speeding toward her—a feat of gunnery commented on everywhere with the greatest praise.

It is considered highly probable that one or more other U-boats were destroyed by depth bombs in addition to the one which is known to have been sent to the bottom.

The Justicia remained afloat for several hours. Of the score of torpedoes sent against her only two hit, one in the engine room.

London, July 24—The British steamer Leasowe Castle was torpedoed and sunk on May 28, it was announced last night.

German newspapers predict an early offensive by the Bulgarians against Greece.

#### LEGAL NOTICES

VIRGINIA—In the clerk's office of the Corporation Court of the city of Alexandria, on the 23d day of July, 1918.

Lottie A. Connelly, who sues for herself and all other creditors of Harry E. Connelly, deceased, who may come in and contribute to the costs of this suit, and in her own right as widow, and also as guardian for Myrtle L. Connelly, an infant, complainant, vs. R. H. Cox, sergeant administrator of Harry E. Connelly, deceased, Myrtle L. Connelly, an infant, 11 years of age, and F. P. Russell, her guardian ad litem, Annie Connelly, widow, Connelly Spencer, Paul Connelly, Bertie C. Lynch, Mattie C. Fisher, Della Connelly, Sallie C. Carroll and Augusta Parsly, defendants. In chancery.

Memo.—The object of this suit is to subject the estate real and personal of Harry E. Connelly, deceased, to the payment of his debts; to settle the account of his personal representative; for partition of the real estate of which he died seized among those entitled, and commutation of widow's dower; for sale of the real estate of the infant Myrtle L. Connelly and application of the proceeds to her maintenance, schooling and support, and for settlement and distribution of his estate, and for general relief.

It appearing by an affidavit filed in this cause that the defendants, Annie Connelly, widow; Spencer Connelly, Paul Connelly, Bertie C. Lynch, Mattie C. Fisher, Della Connelly, Sallie C. Carroll and Augusta Parsly, are non-residents of this state: It is ordered, That said defendants appear here within fifteen days after due publication of this order and do what is necessary to protect their interest in this suit.

Robinson Moncre, P. Q. A. copy—Teste.

Nevell S. Greenaway, Clerk.  
 By Cora Duffey, Deputy Clerk.

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